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DIARY NOTES

ADD/A [REDACTED]

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1. [REDACTED] was in to discuss several matters. He stated that if we were going to proceed with the appointment of a "Chief of Finance" he was anxious to do this and felt that there were a number of things which he could get done if he had authority to issue positive orders. He was somewhat concerned about the decentralization of auditing and certain accounting functions to [REDACTED]. I know that there has been considerable delay on this due to the fact that reductions in tables of organization have caused the Comptroller to feel uncertain as to whether or not he should go ahead. I will pursue this, and my own feeling is that we should proceed without delay, regardless of the size of the stations. H

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2. I asked [REDACTED] to pick up the GHI contract and get it signed.

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3. [REDACTED] was up to brief me on the committee which will be chaired by Mr. Jackson. He said that General Smith had directed the DD/A to arrange for the necessary administrative support.

4. Arranged for General Morris and Mr. Meloon to meet with Mr. Wolf on Tuesday at 1500 to discuss "classification and wage administration."

5. Larry Houston and Walter Pforzheimer reported that legislation for the NSC Medal for Intelligence was in order and that they had agreed that the Executive Secretary of the National Security Council should approve of the design of the Medal since General Smith had specifically indicated that CIA was not to be mentioned in the legislation. They reported that they have discussed other legislation with the Department of Defense and that it is going forward. The Secretary of Defense did not concur, but will not object to any of our proposed legislation. The only change suggested was that we make the statutory positions for the D/DCI and the three Deputies flexible enough to be filled by either civilian or military personnel. I told Larry that unless he heard from me to the contrary he could assume that this was OK. (This has been cleared with Mr. Wolf and the Director.) H

6. Matt Baird telephoned to say that he was sending a paper to [REDACTED] and me which he thought might be a starting point from which we could attack the problem of paying per diem to a large number of people who are scheduled for overseas assignments but who actually do not ever go overseas.

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